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CLAIMS

All pending claims of the present Application are shown below.

1. (Original) A method for providing message services, comprising:
receiving a user notification message in an application;
receiving a user identifier for at least one recipient of the message in the application, the user identifier operable to identify the recipient; and
providing the message and the user identifier from the application to a private network operable to transmit the message to a mobile station for the recipient, the mobile station having a corresponding mobile station identifier, the user identifier assigned to the mobile station identifier in the private network.
2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, the application comprising a Web-based interface operable to provide access to the private network.
3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising receiving authentication information from a sender of the message.
4. (Original) The method of Claim 3, the authentication information comprising at least one of a user name and a password.
5. (Original) The method of Claim 3, further comprising providing the authentication information to the private network for authentication of the sender.
6. (Original) The method of Claim 5, further comprising determining whether the sender has been authenticated by the private network.
7. (Original) The method of Claim 6, further comprising receiving a confirmation of the authentication from the private network when the sender is authenticated by the private network.

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8. (Original) The method of Claim 7, receiving a user notification message comprising receiving the message when the sender has been authenticated by the private network.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising providing a message recipient list of user identifiers for selection, receiving a user identifier comprising receiving a selection of the user identifier from the message recipient list.

10. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:
providing a plurality of message recipient list identifiers for selection;
receiving a selection of at least one message recipient list identifier;
providing a message recipient list of user identifiers for selection based on the selected message recipient list identifier; and
receiving a user identifier comprising receiving a selection of the user identifier from the provided message recipient list.

11. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising receiving a "send message" command, providing the message and the user identifier from the application to the private network comprising providing the message and the user identifier when the "send message" command is received.

12. (Original) A method for providing message services, comprising:
receiving a user notification message in a private network;
receiving in the private network a user identifier for at least one recipient of the message, the user identifier operable to identify the recipient;
determining a mobile station identifier based on the user identifier; and
transmitting the message to a mobile station for the recipient based on the mobile station identifier.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, further comprising:
requesting authentication information for a sender;
receiving the authentication information for the sender from an application;
determining whether the sender is authenticated; and

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providing confirmation of the authentication to the application when the sender is determined to be authenticated.

14. (Original) The method of Claim 13, the authentication information comprising at least one of a user name and a password.

15. (Original) The method of Claim 13, the application comprising a Web-based interface.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 13, determining whether the sender is authenticated comprising determining whether the sender is authenticated based on a stored service profile for the sender.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 12, determining a mobile station identifier based on the user identifier comprising determining the mobile station identifier based on a stored assignment of the user identifier to the mobile station identifier.

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18. (Original) A method for providing message services, comprising:
assigning a user identifier to a first mobile station identifier corresponding to a first mobile station in a private network;
receiving in the private network a first message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the first message;
determining a mobile station identifier for the first message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the first message comprising the first mobile station identifier; and
transmitting the first message to the first mobile station based on the first mobile station identifier.
19. (Original) The method of Claim 18, the user identifier comprising at least one of a first name, a last name and a nickname for the recipient.
20. (Original) The method of Claim 18, the first mobile station comprising a mobile telephone.
21. (Original) The method of Claim 20, the first mobile station identifier comprising a telephone number for the mobile telephone.
22. (Original) The method of Claim 18, further comprising:
assigning the user identifier to a second mobile station identifier corresponding to a second mobile station in the private network;
receiving in the private network a second message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the second message, the recipient for the second message comprising the recipient for the first message;
determining a mobile station identifier for the second message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the second message comprising the second mobile station identifier; and
transmitting the second message to the second mobile station based on the second mobile station identifier.

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23. (Original) The method of Claim 22, the user identifier comprising at least one of a first name, a last name and a nickname for the recipient.

24. (Original) The method of Claim 22, the first mobile station comprising a mobile telephone.

25. (Original) The method of Claim 24, the first mobile station identifier comprising a telephone number for the mobile telephone.

26. (Original) The method of Claim 22, the first mobile station comprising the second mobile station.

Claims 27-29 (canceled)

30. (Original) A system for providing message services, comprising:
means for assigning a user identifier to a first mobile station identifier corresponding to a first mobile station in a private network;
means for receiving in the private network a first message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the first message;
means for determining a mobile station identifier for the first message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the first message comprising the first mobile station identifier;
means for transmitting the first message to the first mobile station based on the first mobile station identifier;
means for assigning the user identifier to a second mobile station identifier corresponding to a second mobile station in the private network;
means for receiving in the private network a second message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the second message, the recipient for the second message comprising the recipient for the first message;
means for determining a mobile station identifier for the second message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the second message comprising the second mobile station identifier; and

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means for transmitting the second message to the second mobile station based on the second mobile station identifier.

31. (Original) A method for providing message services for a private network, comprising:

receiving a non-address identifier for a recipient of a user notification message, the non-address identifier being non-unique in the private network;

determining an address identifier for the recipient based on a sender of the message and the non-address identifier;

addressing the message with the address identifier for delivery to the recipient in the private network.

32. (Original) The method of Claim 31, further comprising:

providing the sender of the message with non-address identifiers as choices for selection, the non-address identifiers associated with the sender; and
receiving a selection of the non-address identifier.

33. (Original) The method of Claim 31, further comprising:

determining a plurality of address identifiers based on the sender of the message and the non-address identifier; and

addressing the message with the address identifiers for multiple deliveries to the recipient in the private network.